14351. Adulteration of popcorn. U. S. v. 97 Cases \* \* \*. (F. D. C. No. 23815. Sample No. 26103-K.)

LIBEL FILED: October 15, 1947, Eastern District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about August 30, 1947, by the American Popcorn  $C_{0,}$  from Sioux City, Iowa.

PRODUCT: 97 cases, each containing 24 10-ounce cans, of popcorn at St. Louis, Mo.

LABEL, IN PART: "Jolly Time Giant Yellow Hulless Pop Corn."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent excreta, insects, and rodent-gnawed kernels.

Disposition: December 3, 1947. The sole intervener having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the product was ordered destroyed.

14352. Adulteration of rice. U. S. v. 803 Bags \* \* \* (and 1 other seizure action). (F. D. C. Nos. 24990, 24991. Sample Nos. 30875-K to 30877-K, incl.)

LIBELS FILED: July 6, 1948, Southern District of California; amended libel filed July 29, 1948, in the action against 803 and 948 bags.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about November 11 and 12 and December 31, 1947, from Stuttgart, Ark., and Crowley, La.

Product: 803, 948, and 300 100-pound bags of rice at Los Angeles, Calif., in the possession of the American Warehouse.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (4), all lots of the product had been held under insanitary conditions whereby they may have become contaminated with filth; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the 803-bag lot and the 948-bag lot consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence therein of rodent excreta and rodent hairs. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

Disposition: August 2, 4, and 6, 1948. The Kwong Dack Wo Co., Morey & Co., and S. E. Rykoff & Co., Los Angeles, Calif., claimants for the 948-bag lot, the 803-bag lot, and the 300-bag lot, respectively, having consented to the entry of decrees, judgments of condemnation were entered and the product was ordered released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency. The product was reconditioned by removal and destruction of the rodent-contaminated portions of the bags.

14353. Adulteration of rice. U. S. v. 72 Bags, etc. (F. D. C. No. 26677. Sample No. 7921-K.)

LIBEL FILED: March 3, 1949, Western District of Pennsylvania.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 4, 1946, from Sacramento, Calif. PRODUCT: 307 100-pound bags of rice at Pittsburgh, Pa., in possession of the

Federal Cold Storage Co.

NATURE of CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent excreta; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth. The product was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

Disposition: April 22, 1949. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.